Amendments to the Claims

Kindly cancel claims 1-8.

Kindly add new claims 9-11.

1-8 (Cancel)

9. (New) A heat resistant high-chromium containing ferrite steel based on ferritic phase and containing 13-30% by weight of chromium, and having the capability of precipitating at least one intermetallic compound precipitate selected from the group consisting of a Laves phase of Fe_2W, a Laves phase of Fe_2Mo, a μ phase, and a compound represented by Ni_3X, where X is Al or Ti, while using the steel at 650°C or more.

10. (New) The heat resistant high-chromium containing ferrite steel as claimed in claim 9, wherein the ferritic phase is contained at 70% by volume or more.

11. (New) The heat resistant high-chromium containing ferrite steel as claimed in claim 9, wherein Mo is contained at 0.5-8.0% by weight and W is contained at 1.0-8.0% by weight.